

Good Roads Money From State.

The county treasurer received \$2,930 from the state of Michigan June 10, in payment for state reward on roads, as follows: East Oliver street No. 2; Owosso and Flint No. 9; Kirby Nos. 1 and 2.

Corner Stone Laid.

The corner stone of the new Methodist church in Corunna was laid Tuesday, District Superintendent Dr. A. B. Leonard of Flint, being in charge of the exercises. Revs. Cansfield and Foster of Owosso and Rev. C. E. Doty, pastor of the Corunna church, assisted. A large gathering of people saw the stone laid.

City Pays Judgment.

The City of Owosso has paid this week the judgment of \$3000 obtained by Warren Bros. Construction Co. for an infringement of its patent. The city is suing the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. to recover the \$3000, the Barber Co. having given a bond to the city to pay all damages in connection with the paving of West Main street several years ago.

Will Sustained.

The will of the late Julia F. Sharts of Owosso was sustained by Probate Judge Bush, Monday, and the \$3,000 at first willed to an eastern theological seminary and then by a marginal note given to two nieces will go to the nieces. The total of the estate was about \$8000. Mrs. Lillian Colt of Niagara Falls, N. Y. one of the heirs was in the city Tuesday settling the estate.

Odd Fellows Memorial.

Upwards of 250 members of the Odd Fellows lodge met for their memorial services in the Odd Fellow Temple Sunday afternoon, and after an impressive sermon by Rev. E. W. Foster of Corunna avenue M. E. church, marched to Oak Hill cemetery where tribute was paid to the deceased members.

The sermon by Rev. Foster and the singing by the choir of his church were appreciated.

Mass Meeting.

The people of Shiawassee county who feel that they have not had a just deal in the late readjustment of the R. F. D. service of the county, are requested to meet at the court house, in the city of Corunna, on Saturday, June 15th, at two o'clock p. m.

Send delegates from each locality affected, come yourself, bring your neighbors, and make this a move that will show a united county. Justice to all, discrimination against none.

W. C. STEFF, JR.
JAS. E. MCBRIDE.

Second Ward Mothers' Meeting.

Mrs. H. C. Everetts, N. Washington street, entertained the second ward mother's Friday afternoon. It was the largest meeting ever held by the society 70 ladies and 10 children being present. The president, Mrs. Jane Finch, presided. A very interesting program was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Boyle and Miss Margaret Lord gave recitations. The collection was \$3.66. Afterward, a luncheon was served by Mrs. F. Hummel, Mrs. L. J. Kinne, Mrs. Boyle and Mrs. Floyd Everett.

Injured in Runaway.

Charles Wimple and Mrs. A. M. Boyce were severely bruised Wednesday, when they were thrown from a carriage on West Main street, when the team ran away. Mr. Wimple's shoulder was dislocated. Both were taken to the Miller hospital and Mrs. Boyce was able to leave for her home in Lansing Thursday, having been a guest of her twin sister, Mrs. Charles Wimple, at the Wimple farm west of the city. The team became frightened when the pole of the buggy fell to the pavement and ran to the curb, wrecking the buggy.

Enjoyable Concert.

The concert given at Christ Episcopal church Friday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by an audience of music lovers that filled the church. Harold Jarvis, tenor, of Detroit, assisted by Miss May Lyon accompanist and reader, and Miss Helen Lorch of Grand Rapids, harpist, are most delightful entertainers, and each responded to hearty encores of each number. The concert was under the auspices of St. Agnes Guild of the Episcopal church and much credit is due Mrs. E. F. Hayward, Miss Jennie Copas and Mrs. Leigh Christian for the success of the concert. The proceeds will be added to a fund started with the returns from a concert given under the direction of Mrs. H. P. Davies and Mrs. Leigh Christian some time ago, to replace the steeple on the church which was blown down in the cyclone Nov. 11, 1911.

Webber-Hyatt

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Webber and Ralph Hyatt of Lansing, was solemnized at the home of the bride on N. Dewey street in this city Wednesday at 1 o'clock by Rev. W. H. Jordan in the presence of twenty-five relatives. Miss Katherine Webber sister of the bride, assisted the bride. Mr. Webber giving his daughter in marriage and acting as groomsmen. Mrs. Carl Holmes of St. Johns rendered Mendelehon's wedding march.

Following the wedding a two course dinner was served by Misses Clara McIntosh, Frances Nichols, Lucile and Katherine Bartlett.

Mrs. Hyatt is a popular Owosso girl, a graduate of the schools and an active member of St. Agnes Guild of Christ Episcopal church. Mr. Hyatt formerly lived in St. Johns and is now with the Reo Motor Co. of Lansing, where they will reside.

Mrs. J. C. Cragin of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Ella Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hyatt and Mrs. Alta Morton of St. Johns, were guests at the wedding.

Rural Carriers Meet.

Forty-nine members of the Shiawassee County Letter Carriers' Association and their wives enjoyed a fine banquet at the First Baptist church in this city Saturday evening and transacted business including the election of officers as follows:

President, L. P. Royce; vice president, H. Watters, New Lothrop; secretary-treasurer, H. C. Bullock, New Lothrop; executive committee, C. C. Lewis, Byron; Charles Cook, Burton and H. Post, of Lennon. William Alexander was elected delegate to the state meeting to be held at Holland in July.

The re-routing of the county was discussed and suggestions given as to the best way to care for the mail with the new length routes. A social meeting will be held at New Lothrop on Labor Day.

Death of Harry R. Cole.

Harry R. Cole, aged 52 years, for many years a well known and respected citizen of Owosso died Sunday at his home on Ridge street after a long illness with heart trouble. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon in charge of Colfax lodge of Odd Fellows, Rev. C. H. Hanks officiating.

Mr. Cole was born in New York, moving to Leavenworth, Kansas, where he served in the U. S. Army being a member of Co. I, U. S. Cavalry at the time of the Custer massacre and Indian uprising. He was married in 1887 to Miss Grace McCarty of Ovid who survives him. Mr. Cole was an active member of Colfax Odd Fellow and Rebekah lodges and Woodmen lodges.

Death of Hugh Parker.

Hugh Parker, aged nearly 75 years, died Monday at his home east of Corunna as the result of a paralytic stroke suffered May 21. His death occurred on the farm on which he had lived 58 years. Mr. Parker was born in Oakland county coming to Caledonia township when a young man. He was a prominent and successful farmer, a man of fine character with a wide circle of friends who mourn his death. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Surviving Mr. Parker are two sons and three daughters. Attorney J. F. Parker of Flint and Dr. W. T. Parker of Corunna; Miss Anna at home, Miss Ada who is employed in the Owosso Savings bank, and Mrs. C. W. Stoddard of Caledonia.

Death of James H. Calkins.

James H. Calkins, former mayor of this city, died, Tuesday, at his home in Port Huron, after a long illness. The body was brought to Owosso Thursday, and funeral services held at the Jennings chapel, Rev. C. H. Hanks officiating.

Mr. Calkins was for many years a prominent and respected citizen of this city, serving in various official capacities. He was superintendent of the Dewey & Stewart mills for many years and was later associated with D. M. Estey in the lumber business. Mr. Calkins was twice married and widowed. One daughter, Mrs. John Squires of Pontiac, survives.

Death of R. R. Davies.

The Congregationalist of this week brings the news of the death of Rev. R. R. Davies on May 24th at his home in Wauseon, Ohio. Rev. Davies was the beloved pastor of the Congregational church in this city during the years 1888-89 and 90, a man of strong intellect, a deep thinker and a splendid Christian gentleman. He was born in South Wales, June 15, 1845, and began life as a miner. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

Postal Item.

The changes ordered by the post office department in the rural routes of the county went into effect on Wednesday and there has since necessarily been some delay in handling the mail of the patrons changed from one post office to another and this will continue until patrons can notify publishers to send publications to their new address. If all patrons will attend to this matter promptly it will ensure more prompt delivery of their mail. The Owosso office now handles the mail for 306 families who formerly were served through other offices, while less than a score are transferred elsewhere. The carriers are making special effort to do everything possible to serve their routes as efficiently as in the past. It is believed that the Department will order some changes shortly which will permit delivery to some families not now on any route.

The P. O. Department announces a reduction in letter postage between the United States and the Dutch West Indies (including Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao, Saba, St. Eustatius and the Dutch part of St. Martin) to two cents an ounce or fraction thereof, effective July 1. Short paid letters will be dispatched and double the shortage collected at designation.

Death of Mrs. Adelaide Thompson.

Mrs. Adelaide Cranston Thompson, aged 73 years, died at her home on Park street in this city, Monday morning, after suffering four months with hardening of the arteries.

Mrs. Thompson was born in Pennsylvania, going to Painesville, Ohio, when an infant. In January, 1867, she was married to Josiah Thompson, and after a residence in South Bend, Ind., they came to Owosso thirty years ago. Mr. Thompson died nine years ago after a successful career as a retail hardware merchant.

Mrs. Thompson was a very superior woman of high Christian character, much loved by all who knew her. She was an active and helpful member of the First Congregational church, and the Woman's Missionary society, a leader and chaplain in Shiawassee Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution and a charter member of the Bay View circle. Surviving are a niece, Mrs. Maud Thompson, and grand-nieces Misses Adelaide, Florence and Mary Maud Thompson.

The funeral was held Wednesday at the home, Rev. C. H. Hanks officiating. The remains were taken to South Bend, Ind., for interment Thursday.

O'Neill-Troy.

The wedding of Miss Gertrude O'Neill niece of Mrs. Mary Quinn of this city and Charles N. Troy of Saginaw, was solemnized at St. Paul's Catholic church Wednesday morning by Rev. Fr. P. J. Slane. Mrs. Gertrude Powers of Lansingburg assisted the bride and Daniel M. Troy of Saginaw, acted as best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Quinn home on Michigan avenue and a three course breakfast served to twenty-five guests, relatives of the bride and groom.

Mrs. Troy has been a popular clerk in Osburn & Son's store for three years and has made her home with her aunt for the past ten years. Mr. Troy was a former Ann Arbor railroad employee and at present holds a responsible position with the Pere Marquette railway.

After a trip to Cleveland and Detroit Mr. and Mrs. Troy will be at home in Saginaw after July 8.

Plant Black Bass.

Sixteen thousand small mouth black bass fry were planted in the Shiawassee river Tuesday morning by the Shiawassee County Sportsmen's association. The fry were reported from the state hatchery at Comstock park near Grand Rapids. Automobiles took the fish to different points along the river. Two cans were emptied in the river between Corunna and Owosso, three cans between Owosso and the Goss school house.

Attorney Van R. Pond, head of the propagation committee, announces that four cans of perch will be received July 17, for Hopkins lake.

Justice Frielger rendered a verdict of no cause for action Thursday in the suit of Loyd Purves of Middlebury against Leo Byrnes of Bennington for damages in the purchase of a horse which was claimed not to be as represented. S. Q. Pulver represented Mr. Byrnes and Chandler & Wilson acted for Mr. Purves.

Tod Kincaid of Cleveland, Ohio, has been in the city since Tuesday, coming to attend the quarterly meeting of the directors of the Union Telephone Co. and to attend to other business affairs.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Many Happy Events in Close of the School Year.

The class of 1915 of the Owosso high school will receive its diplomas Wednesday, June 23, at the Baptist church, which will mark the close of a fine year's work in the Owosso schools. Good work has been done by scholars of all grades and but few failures are recorded. The class of 1915 numbers 47, the largest class in the history of the schools, several of whom have completed the work in three years.

The close of the year has been filled with exercises and events of interest to high school pupils, parents and the public.

The baccalaureate address given Sunday evening, June 6, by Rev. C. H. Hanks at the Congregational church, was an inspiration to the many pupils and the large congregation which heard it. Several of the churches of the city united in the service and various ministers assisted.

The Junior reception held Friday evening, June 11, was a brilliant and ever to be remembered event.

Class Day exercises will be held in the high school assembly room on Tuesday afternoon, June 22.

The young ladies of the class will be gowned in simple white sailor white dresses, white slippers and yellow ties to carry out their class colors. The young men will be dressed entirely in white excepting for blue coats.

Rev. W. H. Jordan will pronounce the benediction and the following interesting program will be given: Piano duet, Eleanor Lyon and Margaret Knapp; salutatory, Ethelyn Hill; Pres. address, Harold Gordon; class history written by Ethelyn Hill to be read by Margaret Knapp; vocal solo, Kathryn Payne; valedictory, Gladys Dreher. The class will, written by Cornelius Pond, and the prophecy by Kathryn Payne, will not be given on class day as they are published in the "Spic."

Commencement exercises will be held in the Baptist church, Wednesday, June 23. President George Vincent of the University of Minnesota will deliver the address. Diplomas will be given to Misses Gladys Dreher, Imogene Dunham, May Cope, Grace DeLonge, Frances Fowler, Jean Honecker, Kathryn Payne, Ethelyn Hill, Margaret Knapp, Ina Green, Rena Schuknecht, Gladys Reule, Helen Parks, Wahnetta Thompson, Lillian Klause, Daphne Hill, Eleanor Lyon, Golda Miller, Lonise Osmer, Adeline Hook, Kathleen Stotenbur, Rosalind Hook, Clara Kerby, Lena Schuknecht, Margaret Copas, Anna Johnson, Elizabeth Porter, Katharine Kilpatrick, Anna Turnbull, Marie Sweatland, Carol Chandler and Hazel Green, Harold Gordon, Harold Vogel, Odell Chapman, Clarence Campbell, Glenn Crane, Cornelius Pond, Clarence Howard, George Alexander, Robert Storror, Emerson Greenman, Harold Hart, Harold Bunting, Alton Corey, Walter Newson and Donald McCormick.

Normal Commencement.

Ten young ladies received diplomas from the Shiawassee County Normal Wednesday night, entitling them to teach in the rural schools of the county. The commencement exercises, which were the tenth annual were held at the normal room in the Central school, and despite the unfavorable weather, the spacious room was filled with parents, relatives and friends of the graduates.

The room was prettily decorated with white bunting and greenery, the color scheme conforming to the class colors, green and white. The exercises were opened with invocation by Rev. J. G. York, after which Harry Johnson rendered a vocal solo. The address of the evening was given next, by D. B. Waldo, president of the Western State Normal, at Kalamazoo. Dr. Waldo took as his subject "Rural Progress."

The speaker told of the great progress made in the past few years in rural schools, but declared that there was plenty of room for improvement yet. He gave the embryo teachers some pointers on how to attain success in their work. He told them they must have the support of the community in which they are teaching.

After the address, the graduates sang their class song, and this was followed by the presentation of diplomas by County School Commissioner Howard Slocum. Miss Susan Walsh rendered a vocal solo, after which Rev. York pronounced benediction.

Members of the class—Beulah V. Babcock, Elva C. Greenhoe, Cora E. Johnson, Myrtle E. Johnson, Lillian B. Klaus, Lucy D. Knapp, M. Margaret Powers, Shirley L. Steeds, Helen L. Storror, H. Ruth Van DeVusse. Class Motto: Better Rural Schools.

It Isn't Your Town: It's You!

If you want to live in the kind of town Like the kind of a town you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip And start on a long, long hike. You'll only find what you left behind. For there's nothing that's really new. It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town.

It isn't the town—it's you. Real towns are not made by men afraid. Least somebody else gets ahead. When everyone works and nobody shirks.

You can raise a town from the dead. And if while you make your personal stake Your neighbors can make one, too. Your town will be what you want to see. It isn't the town—it's you.

Lockwood-Clark.

Rose pink was the prevailing color motif at the wedding of Miss Edna Lockwood and Arden N. Clark, which was celebrated at 3:30 o'clock on Thursday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lockwood, 1450 West King street. The ceremony, which was performed by Rev. J. G. York, of the Baptist church, was witnessed by twenty-five of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. The impressive ring service was used.

The bride was attractive in a simple gown of brocade blue silk and carried a bouquet of pink rose buds. She was unattended.

The Lockwood home was beautifully decorated for the occasion with cut flowers and greenery. A large basket of pink roses graced the dining room table where an elaborate five-course dinner was served, following the ceremony. The dinner was prepared by Mrs. G. O. Kinner, carter who recently removed to this city from Binghamton, N. Y.

Mrs. Clark came to Owosso three years ago from Montgomery, Pa., and during her residence in this city was employed in the Benson millinery parlors.

After graduating from the local schools with the class of 1912, Mr. Clark went to Detroit where he is now employed by the M. C. Railroad company. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Clark of this city.

Following a two weeks' honeymoon trip to Washington, D. C., and other eastern points, Mr. and Mrs. Clark will make their home in Detroit where the best wishes of their many Owosso friends follow them.

Pupils Recital.

The pupils of Miss Mabelle Wright pleased a large audience at the Woman's club rooms in the library building, Monday afternoon, at the annual recital. The following pupils took part: Oliver Whitford, Robert Conn, Marie Campbell, Bemsley Conn, Florence Callard, LaReign Dawson, Harriett Dewey, Marion VanLiew, Esther Finch, Florence Nelson, Ruth Payne, Verna Gunnison, Bess Cushman and Edith Spaulding.

Rob Owosso Store.

The store of Brown & Gray on the corner of Exchange and Washington street was entered Wednesday night by thieves who took Merschaum pipes, the best cigars and tobacco to the value of \$35, failing to break into the cash register which contained money and which became locked when the thief pressed two keys instead of one. A former Owossoite is under suspicion.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced by the Rickman Construction Co. in excavating for the foundation walls for the armory and it has been found necessary to go much deeper than originally planned to get below the filling which had been dumped in the old race bed which ran diagonally across the site. At the bottom of the race a plank floor in a fair state of preservation was found, while beneath were heavy oak timbers some of which were in almost as good a state of preservation as when placed a half century or more ago. The conditions will make it necessary to construct re-inforced concrete piers to carry the steel trusses and beams of the same description running from pier to pier to carry the walls for about forty feet on the north and south sides of the building toward the west end. It is thought the concrete work on the walls will be commenced Saturday.

Miss Selma D. Meier left Thursday night for Chicago to meet her sister, Mrs. Ed. Winter and children of Stanton, Neb., who will return with her and spend the summer in Owosso. Prof. Winter will attend the 50th anniversary of the Northwestern college at Watertown, Wis., and will arrive in Owosso the middle of next week.

W. R. Smith, Charles Jackson, D. F. Collins and L. S. Bowles have been in Kalamazoo this week attending the annual G. A. R. encampment.

1915 TO 1916

Junior Reception and Banquet Splendid Success.

The annual reception and banquet by the junior to the senior class of the Owosso high school was held at the Congregational church Friday evening and as seems from year to year was the most successful in the history of the school. The guests included the class of 1916, the board of education and their wives, the superintendent of schools and faculty of the high school, all of whom were received by Roscoe Wise, president, Wayne Crampton, vice president, Arthur Cansfield, treasurer, Miss Wahnetta Thompson, secretary, and Mildred Donigan and Adelaide Thompson of the junior class, in the ladies' parlor which was beautifully decorated in lavender and white, the '15 class colors.

The guests were conducted to the banquet room in the basement which seemed almost a fairyland, being trimmed in yellow and white, the '16 class colors. Music from a secluded corner, rendered by Mrs. Sackrider and Mrs. Kohler added to the pleasure of the occasion. The tables were most inviting, with pretty favors and candle sticks with yellow candles and shades. The girls of the sophomore class served a delicious and satisfying menu prepared by the ladies of the Congregational Social Union.

After the banquet Mr. O. H. Voelker, instructor in history, acted as toastmaster and introduced cleverly and pleasantly the speakers in the following program:

"Welcome, welcome, with one voice"—Roscoe Wise.

"Truly, I thank you for this"—Harold Gordon.

"Thou makest me merry, I am full of pleasure"—Dr. Sutherland.

"Bright with the sun upon the stream beyond"—Miss Tubbs.

"O listen, listen, ladies gay"—Arthur Cansfield.

"A man's a man for a' that"—Jeune Bunting.

"Hist, but a word, fair and soft"—M. G. Jones.

"Dared and done at last I stand upon the summit"—Rosalind Hook.

"Look forward with hope for tomorrow"—M. W. Longman.

Rev. J. Hartley Cansfield pronounced the benediction.

Corunna Schools Commencement.

Corunna, June 17.—"It is not the compulsory things that you do in life, that make your life a success, it is the things you do because of ambition, virtue or love, that make life worth living." This was what Congressman Patrick H. Kelley of Lansing told the graduating class of the Corunna high school at the commencement exercises Wednesday evening. Congressman Kelley spoke on the subject: "The Second Mile."

The exercises were held at the casino in McCurdy park and were very largely attended. The casino was prettily decorated in the class colors. Members of the school board occupied the platform with the class and speaker of the evening.

The exercises were opened at 8 o'clock by the invocation by Rev. E. J. Cross. The salutatory was delivered by Miss Eva Howard, after which a girls' chorus rendered music.

The class prophecy was read by Miss Grace Almindinger, and the class history by Miss Pauline Beagin. The class will was read by Miss Alice Kelly.

Orrin T. Jennings rendered a vocal solo, after which the valedictory was given by Miss Myrtle Williams.

At the conclusion of Congressman Kelley's address, Supt. C. A. Johnson presented the diplomas to the graduates, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. E. Doty.

The class members are:

President, Harold Leavitt; vice president, Marguerite Harmon; secretary, Alice Kelley; treasurer, Bertha Cassidy; Ethel Williams, Myrtle Williams, Josephine Wilson, Eva Howard, Dale Williams, Pauline Beagin and Grace Almindinger.

Nichols-Gibson.

The wedding of Robert N. Gibson of Owosso, and Miss Maud Nichols was solemnized Tuesday at the home of the bride in Appleton, Wis., by Rev. Scoville of the Congregational church in the presence of a large number of friends. Miss Bernice Gibson, sister of the groom, assisted the bride and Charles Gibson, a brother, acted as best man.

Mr. Gibson is superintendent of the Startevant & Blood Co., lumber yard in this city and a popular member of the Congregational church choir. He is serving as superintendent of the Sunday school.

After July 10 Mr. and Mrs. Gibson will be at home at 637 N. Ball street in this city.